

[BEAT BALLS]

Abstract

The beat balls are a set of two hollow spheres linked together with a string; the hollow spheres contain beads to generate a rattling sound similar to that of maracas when the spheres are shaken. The rattling bead sound is enhanced by the knocking sound generated by two hollow spheres when smacked together in a swinging motion while one of the spheres is held in the palm of the hand with the connecting string passing through the index finger and the middle finger. The swinging motion is repeated to create various speed and rhythmic patterns.